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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AA United States Patent No. 5,500,006

AB United States Patent No. 4,870,968

AC United States Patent No. 4,399,820

AD United States Patent No. 4,228,803

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AM European Application 0 551 355

25 **EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE**

References AA, AB and AC were cited during earlier examination of the present PCT application. References AD, AL and AM are identified and discussed in the present specification. Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed simultaneously with the present PCT application, and is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(1), and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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